

REMARKS

The application includes claims 1 and 3-30 prior to entering this amendment.

The examiner rejects claims 1 and 3-30 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 3-14, 21-24, 28-31, 33-37, 41 and 44 of Bjornson (U.S. patent 6,691,109).

The applicants do not amend the claims.

The application remains with claims 1 and 3-30 after entering this amendment.

The applicants add no new matter and request reconsideration.

Double Patenting

The applicants submit a properly executed terminal disclaimer, signed by the undersigned attorney of record, to obviate the examiner's double patenting rejection.


Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, the applicants request reconsideration and allowance of all remaining claims. The applicants encourage the examiner to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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